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 - Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. 1.132, with courtesy copy. (X)
 - (X) 6 Sheets of Drawings.
 - Page 34 from PCT/BE95/00068. (X)
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- () Two Month (\$200/\$400)
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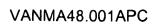
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on February 13, 2001 (Paper No. 13), please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, please add the following paragraph and heading, immediately following the Title of the Invention:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is the U.S. National Phase under 35 U.S.C. §371 of International Application PCT/BE95/00068, filed July 14, 1995, which claims priority to Belgian application BE 9400666, filed July 14, 1994.

Please replace the sentence on page 16, lines 3 and 4, with the following rewritten sentence: